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JAMIESON'S VIEWS ON U.S. TRADE

1. NEWLY-NAMED INDUSTRY, TRADE AND COMMERCE MINISTER DON JAMIESON, IN WELL-RECEIVED OFF-THE-CUFF SPEECH BEFORE THE CANADIAN EXPORT ASSOCIATION SEPTEMBER 30, CALLED ON BUSINESSMEN TO HELP HIM LEARN HIS NEW JOB. HE THEN STRESSED VITAL NEED FOR STRONG TRADE TIES WITH U.S. EVEN THOUGH IT WAS DESIRABLE TO EXPAND TRADE WITH OTHER COUNTRIES AND BLOCS AS WELL. HE EMPHASIZED THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO KEEP SMALL IRRITANTS IN TRADE WITH U.S. FROM BECOMING MAJOR IRRITANTS AND PLEDGED HE WOULD DO HIS BEST TO SOLVE PROBLEMS BEFORE THEY BECAME SERIOUS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HE ALSO POINTED OUT URGENT NEED, TO WHICH HE WOULD GIVE HIS IMMEDIATE ATTENTION, TO RECTIFY "UNACCEPTABLE" BILLION-DOLLAR CANADIAN DEFICIT IN AUTOMOBILE AND PARTS TRADE UNDER U.S.-CANADIAN AUTO PACT.
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